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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6463

BILL NUMBER: HB 1124

DATE PREPARED: Dec 5, 2000

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Application of Building Ordinances.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a county may adopt building, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, electrical, plumbing, and sanitation standards for private homes in unincorporated areas of the county that are built by individuals and used for their own occupancy.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Currently, private homes that are built in unincorporated areas by individuals and used for their own occupancy, are exempt from a county ordinance establishing building, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, electrical, plumbing, and sanitation standards. This bill removes that exemption. IC 36-7-8 allows county legislative bodies, by ordinance, to establish a county department of buildings, with an office of building commissioner and inspectors. It provides that a county fiscal body shall make appropriations from the county general fund to pay employee and other expenses. Employees paid would be inspectors and agents deemed necessary by the county executive to enforce any ordinances establishing the standards listed above, other applicable state statutes, and state rules.

The provisions of this bill could increase the expenses incurred by a county under IC 36-7-8. The fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminable and dependent on the number of individuals that would be subject to the provisions of this bill. The fiscal impact will vary among counties.

Explanation of Local Revenues: IC 36-7-8 provides that a county may adopt an ordinance which would include a reasonable fee for permits, registration, renewal, examination, and reexamination to ensure building standards are met. Depending on a county's ordinance, this bill could increase fees collected by a county.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties.

Information Sources: